

Covid Update April 12, 2021

Town Administrator Jim Boudreau said residents 55 and older and those with one comorbidity are now eligible for the Covid vaccine. Check mass.gov/covid for details.

Residents can go to vaccinesignup.mass.gov to get appointments at the mass vaccination sites. Sometime this month the Marshfield Fairgrounds will be added to the state signups. After signing up, the state will notify the resident when appointments are available.

CVS posts when they have doses available, so check the mass.gov/covid site often for updates.

Anyone having a hard time getting an appointment, can call the state help line at 2-1-1 or the Scituate Senior Center at 781-545-8722.

Starting April 19, anyone age 16 and older will be eligible for a vaccination.

Homebound residents can call 844-771-1628 to register to be vaccinated at home.

Mr. Boudreau said the town had 33 new Covid cases over the past week; that is down from 38 the previous week. Several of the cases involve family members in the same households. The town's positivity rate is 3.54 percent over the last 14 days. Scituate is still in the "yellow" on the state positivity map.

Mr. Boudreau asked residents to continue to be vigilant so the schools and businesses can stay open.

The town will be advertising an unpaid internship program on scituatema.gov this week. Help is needed in social media communications and how best to set up parking at Cole Parkway. The Charter Review Committee is also looking for help.

Widow's Walk is open for golf and had a great first week. The town is issuing an RFP for food truck vendors for the golf course and hopes to have the service in place by May 1. The clubhouse is closed for renovations.

The fire crew in Humarock has moved to temporary quarters at the Air Force recreation area on Fourth Cliff while the Humarock firehouse gets reconstructed. The project is expected to be completed by the end of October.

Reconstruction of the Peggotty Beach parking lot has started and should take less than a month. Plans are to pave most of the lot and repair the rest with FEMA funds. The town had to wait for the asphalt plants to open before starting the project.

The new gangway and entryway are in place at Cole Parkway. That project is on schedule to be completed by the start of the boating season.

It's okay to walk Cedar Point on the weekends, but please avoid the area during the week due to ongoing construction.

Water main flushing continues. Look for the illuminated signs in your neighborhood. Some residents may see discolored water due to the flushing.

The state is experiencing draught conditions. If there is not some rain soon, the town may have to enact water restrictions earlier than usual.

Residents in areas where water mains are being replaced over the next two weeks have been notified with flyers.

Mr. Boudreau said he will soon be sporting a UMass Amherst hockey cap in honor of his alma mater winning the NCAA hockey championship.

Superintendent of Schools William Burkhead said today (April 12) was a big day for the school department as grades 6-12 went back to in-person school fulltime. Students were greeted with fanfare. Grades K-5 started two weeks ago. He thanked the police chief for having officers on hand to direct traffic before and after school.

The schools had eight Covid cases last week for a total of 194 this school year.

Burkhead urged continued vigilance against Covid with school vacation next week. He said those traveling should follow proper testing protocols when they return.

Burkhead got a kick out of Jenkins student Calvin Williams who called the superintendent "Super Burkhead" when his teacher asked the class if they knew who Burkhead was. He gave Calvin an elbow bump and told him he'd be looking for a cape to match his suit.